

BENEFITS AT SEPARATION

Honorable DD Form 256A

General Under Honorable Conditions DD Form 257A "4"

Other Than Honorable "5"

Bad Conduct Discharge

Dishonorable Discharge
(General Court-Martial) "6"

E Eligible
NE Not Eligible
TBD To be determined by
Administering Agency
DV Eligibility for these benefits

Army Administered

Authority and References

Specific Disabilities of the Veteran	E	E	NE	NE	NE	
1. Payment for Accrued Leave	E	E	NE	NE	NE	37 USC 501-503; DODPEM Par. 40401b
2. Death Gratuity (six months pay)	E	E	E	E	NE	10 USC 1480; DODPEM Par. 40501b
3. Wearing of Military Uniform	E	E	NE	NE	NE	10 USC 771a, 772; AR 670-1
4. Admission to Soldiers' Home "1"	E	E	NE	NE	NE	24 USC 49, 50
5. Burial in Army National Cemeteries	E	E	NE	NE	NE	38 USC 1002; AR 290-5
6. Burial in Army Post Cemeteries "2"	E	E	NE	NE	NE	AR 210-190
7. Army Board for Correction of Military Records	E	E	E	E	E	10 USC 1552; AR 15-185
8. Army Discharge Review Board	E	E	E	NE "9"	NE	10 USC 1553; AR 15-180
9. Transportation to Home "3"	E	E	E	E	E	37 USC 404; JTR par. U7500-7506
10. Transportation of Dependents and Household Goods to Home	E	E	TBD "8"	TBD "8"	TBD "8"	37 USC 406; JTR par. U5225, par. U5370

Transitional Benefits & Services "14"

1. Pre-separation Counseling	E	E	E	E	E	10 USC Section 1142
2. Employment Assistance	E	E	E	E	NE	10 USC Section 1143, 1144
3. Health Benefits	E	E	NE	NE	NE	10 USC Section 1145
4. Commissary/Exchange	E	E	NE	NE	NE	10 USC Section 1146
5. Military Family Housing	E	E	NE	NE	NE	10 USC Section 1147
6. Overseas Relocation Assistance	E	E	NE	NE	NE	10 USC Section 1148
7. Excess Leave/Permissive TDY	E	E	NE	NE	NE	10 USC Section 1149
8. Preference for USAR/ARNG	E	E	NE	NE	NE	10 USC Section 1150
9. Montgomery G.I. Bill (Additional Opportunity)	E	NE	NE	NE	NE	38 USC Section 3011

Department of Veteran Affairs "10"

1. Dependency and Indemnity Compensation	E	E	E	E	NE	38 USC 410(b)
2. Pension for Non-Service Connected Disability or Death	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 521; 38 USC 3103
3. Medal of Honor Roll Pension	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 562; 38 USC 3103
4. Insurance	E	E	TBD "11"	TBD "11"	TBD "11"	38 USC 711, 773; AR 608-2
5. Vocational Rehabilitation (DV)	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 1502, 1503
6. Educational Assistance	E	NE	NE	NE	NE	38 USC 1411
7. Survivors & Dependents Educational Assistance	E	E	E	E	NE	38 USC 1701-1765
8. Home and other Loans	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 1802, 1818
9. Hospitalization & Domiciliary Care	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 610; 38 USC 3103
10. Medical and Dental Services	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 612; 38 USC 3103
11. Prosthetic Appliances (DV)	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 614; 38 USC 612(b); 38 USC 3103
12. Guide Dogs & Equipment For Blindness (DV)	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 614; 38 USC 3103
13. Special Housing (DV)	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 801; 38 USC 3103
14. Automobiles (DV)	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 1901; 38 USC 3103
15. Funeral and Burial Expenses	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 902; 38 USC 3103
16. Burial Flag	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 901; 38 USC 3103
17. Burial in National Cemeteries	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 1002
18. Headstone Marker	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	38 USC 906; 38 USC 3103

Administered by Other Federal Agencies

1. Preference for Farm Loan (Dept. of Agriculture)	E	E	E	E	NE	7 USC 1983(5)
2. Preference for Farm & other Rural Housing Loans (Dept. of Agriculture)	E	E	E	E	NE	42 USC 1477
3. Civil Service Preference "13" (Office of Personnel Management)	E	E	NE	NE	NE	5 USC 2108, 3309-3316, 3502, 3504
4. Civil Service Retirement Credit	E	NE	NE	NE	NE	5 USC 8331, 8332
5. Reemployment Rights (Dept. of Labor)	E	E	NE	NE	NE	38 USC 2021-2026
6. Job Counseling & Employment Placement (Dept. of Labor)	E	E	E	E	NE	38 USC 2001-2014
7. Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Servicemembers (Dept. of Labor)	E	E	NE	NE	NE	5 USC 8501, 8521
8. Naturalization Benefits (Dept. of Justice Immigration & Naturalization Service)	E	E	NE	NE	NE	8 USC 1439, 1440; AR 608-3, par. 2-2-3
9. Old Age, Survivors & Disability Insurance (Social Security Administration)	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE "12"	42 USC 417
10. Job Preference, Public Works Projects "13" (Dept. of Commerce)	E	E	TBD	TBD	NE	42 USC 6706; 13 CFR.317.35

General Eligibility. The eligibility of benefits set forth are not the sole determining factors, but only list the various types of discharge. The states also provide various benefits that will be influenced by the type of discharge, but information on state benefits should be obtained from state agencies.

FOOTNOTES:

"1" The veteran must have served "honestly and faithfully" for 20 years of service. A person discharged as a conscientious objector who refused to perform service in the United States is not eligible for these benefits. See **AR 600-8-24**, involving aggravating circumstances or other factors which have been issued under dishonorable conditions and the by active duty (under 10 USC 672a, d, or g. 673, or 674) charges) will be ineligible for benefits administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs. 38 USC 3103.

"2" Only if an immediate relative is buried in the cemetery.

"3" Only if no confinement is involved, or confinement is involved, part of a confinement facility or a confinement facility located in the United States.

"4" This discharge category includes the discharge of an officer under conditions but under circumstances involving serious misconduct. See **AR 600-8-24**, involving aggravating circumstances or other factors which have been issued under dishonorable conditions and the by active duty (under 10 USC 672a, d, or g. 673, or 674) charges) will be ineligible for benefits administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs. 38 USC 3103.

"5" An officer who resigns for the good of the service (usually to avoid conviction for a crime) is eligible for benefits. A discharge under dishonorable conditions and the by active duty (under 10 USC 672a, d, or g. 673, or 674) charges) will be ineligible for benefits administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs. 38 USC 3103.

"6" Including Commissioned and Warrant Officers who have been convicted of a crime and sentenced to dismissal as a result of general courts-martial, See **AR 600-8-24**, Veterans Admin. No. 655, 20 June 1945).

"7" Any person guilty of mutiny, spying, or desertion, or willful and dishonorable objections, refuses to perform service in the United States or refuses to wear the uniform shall forfeit all rights to benefits. See **AR 600-8-24**, involving aggravating circumstances or other factors which have been issued under dishonorable conditions and the by active duty (under 10 USC 672a, d, or g. 673, or 674) charges) will be ineligible for benefits administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs. 38 USC 3103.

"8" To be determined by the Secretary of the Army on case-by-case basis.

"9" Only if the Bad Conduct Discharge was a result of conviction for a crime.

"10" Applies to Post-1957 service only. Post-1957 service only.

"11" Applies to Post-1957 service only. Post-1957 service only.

"12" Applies to Post-1957 service only. Post-1957 service only.

"13" Applies to Post-1957 service only. Post-1957 service only.

"14" Transitional benefits and services are available only to separated involuntarily, under other than adverse conditions.